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## EXTERNAL RELATIONS

### (d) Relations with non-governmental organizations

#### Note by the Secretary-General

#### SUMMARY

*Executive summary:* This document transmits four new applications for consultative status  
*Action to be taken:* Paragraph 3  
*Related documents:* None

#### New applications for consultative status

1 Since the issue of document C 96/14(d), the Secretary-General has received four additional applications for consultative status from the following organizations:

- the Black Sea International Shipowners Association (BINSAs);
- the European Marine Equipment Council (EMEC);
- the Association of Diving Contractors International, Inc. (ADCI); and
- the International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU).

2 Documentation and information provided by each of these organizations in support of their applications is reproduced in annexes 1 to 4, respectively.

#### Action requested of the Council

3 The Council is invited to decide on these new applications for consultative status.

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**ANNEX 1**  
**INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION**  
**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**1. Name of the Organization:**

THE BLACK SEA INTERNATIONAL SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION (BINSА)

**2. Address of Headquarters:**

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**3. Addresses of all branches or regional headquarters:**

*The branches or regional headquarters are absent.*

**4. Names of addresses of representatives in the United Kingdom:**

*The representatives in the United Kingdom are absent.*

**5. Aims and purposes of the Organization (as set forth in its constitution):**

1.2. The ASSOCIATION shall be created for representation of interests of the members, constant coordination of their activity, protection of the rights of the members, maintenance of public relations.

1.3. The ASSOCIATION is the independent, voluntary, noncommercial, non-profitable organization. Membership in Association does not impose on its members of any restrictions concerning to commercial, public and other activity which is not forbidden by the law.

1.4. The legal address of ASSOCIATION: 29, office 305, Shevchenko Avenue, Odessa, 65058, Ukraine.

1.5. The ASSOCIATION operates on the basis of the Constituent contract, the Statute, the current legislation of Ukraine and international legal norms.

1.6. The ASSOCIATION carries out the activity according to norms of international law if it does not contradict the legislation of Ukraine.

1.7. An official language of ASSOCIATION is Russian, working languages are: Russian and English.

1.8. Originals of the Constituent contract, the Statute, and also other official documents of ASSOCIATION are kept in Secretariat of ASSOCIATION and at depositary. The Depositary of ASSOCIATION is JSSC “Ukrrihflot” (Kiev, Ukraine).

1.9. The name of ASSOCIATION shall be:

**Full name:**

**In Russian:**

МЕЖДУНАРОДНАЯ АССОЦИАЦИЯ СУДОВЛАДЕЛЬЦЕВ  
ЧЕРНОМОРСКОГО БАСЕЙНА;

**In English:**

THE BLACK SEA INTERNATIONAL SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION

**In Ukrainian:**

МІЖНАРОДНА АСОЦІАЦІЯ СУДНОВЛАСНИКІВ  
ЧОРНОМОРСЬКОГО БАСЕЙНУ;

Abbreviated name:

**In Russian:** БИНСА

**In English:** BINSА

**In Ukrainian:** БІНСА

***2. PURPOSE AND SUBJECT OF ASSOCIATION’S ACTIVITY.***

2.1. The ASSOCIATION shall be created with the purpose:

- To consolidate shipowners and other legal and physical persons engaged navigable activity, with the purpose of consideration, and also in case of expediency, acceptance of measures on all questions influencing shipping;
- To promote an all-around development and strengthening of business cooperation and partnership of participants of Association;
- To promote an establishment of free international shipping and to prevent any forms of discrimination complicating equal in rights cooperation in international trade;
- To promote development of merchant navigation and maintenance of its safety;
- To inform Members of ASSOCIATION on cases of unreasonable accusations and claims, manipulations with reception of the freight and others, and also to supply with their other helpful information on navigation which can become known ASSOCIATION;

- To develop and improve the documents used at shipping, whenever possible, by friendly discussion and settlement with all participants of transport process of transportation of cargoes and passengers and using all reasonable means of the coordination up to the edition of any documents for needs of shipowners;
- To issue as approved for use by shipowners of the form of sea documents which were issued by the related organizations or are approved by representatives of the interested parties;
- To assist in adjustment of communications of participants of ASSOCIATION with charter, cargo, broker, forwarding, agent, ship repair both other enterprises and the organizations;
- To carry on negotiations, meetings, to keep up correspondence with all participants of transport process of transportation of cargoes and passengers and with representatives or associations of any such parties on any question of shipping;
- To join in members of any Association, Committee or other body, having close ASSOCIATIONS of the purpose;
- To cooperate, support actions and a policy, and also to undertake the coordinated actions with any other organizations working in interests of navigation;
- To undertake such steps in interests of navigation, which can become desirable for shipowners in the separate periods of time;
- To coordinate activity of participants of ASSOCIATION in sphere of their competence;
- To develop offers on the shipping policy of shipowners directed on an intensification and maintenance of their competitiveness;
- To promote shipowners in the sanction of their economic, financial, commercial and legal questions;
- To protect interests and rights of shipowners, participants of ASSOCIATION in the state bodies, establishments and the organizations in the countries of founders and other states;
- To develop cooperation with the international organizations and associations of shipowners;
- To communicate on questions of shipping, ship repair, chartering, insurance etc.;
- To cooperate with all interested organizations in Ukraine and outside on questions of maintenance of preservation of the environment.

2.2. A subject of activity of ASSOCIATION shall be:

- Development of offers and recommendations, realization of the coordinated actions for the problems of navigation touching interests of participants;
- Organizational assistance to founders (participants) of ASSOCIATION on an effective utilization of industrial potential in maintenance of the international carriages by water of cargoes and passengers, the joint decision of scientific and technical problems of navigation, development and coordination of business cooperation;
- The organization and realization of Meetings, seminars and consultations on problems of shipping;
- Development of the unified proformas of documents and agreements which can be used by founders (participants) of ASSOCIATION in their practical activities;
- Realization of necessary actions for performance of experts' reports on questions of trading navigation;
- Rendering a legal aid and other actions necessary for achievement of the purposes and the decision of tasks of ASSOCIATION.

**6. History:**

The international Association, is created in 1993, as voluntary not governmental unprofitable association of the navigable enterprises Black, Azov and Caspian Seas, the Dnieper, Danube and the Volga basins, which are carrying out the international carriages by water of cargoes and the passengers, with the purpose of coordination of activity of the participants, that is directed on intensification and increase to competitiveness of transportations, rendering assistance to the Members of Association in the decision of economic, financial, commercial, legal and other problems.

Among tasks of Association also:

- *Establishment of principles of free international navigation: development both strengthening of business cooperation and partnership;*
- *Development of merchant seafaring and affording its safety, protection of the rights and interests of the participants of Association;*
- *Development of cooperation with the international organizations and associations;*
- *Information interchange, legal practice, cooperation in environmentalism.*

Within past years are carried out 9 next and 7 extraordinary BINSAs Board meetings (Supreme), 6 Conferences of BINSAs Standing Committees (Working bodies), and also 4 Joint Conferences with the standing Black Sea Region Association of Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (BRASS), working seminars on attraction of the investments on construction of fleet and on making of principles of uniform navigable policy, creation of the Code of behaviour of the Participants and practice of application of the modern international sea law by the countries of the participants of Association, session of working groups on problems of safety of navigation, introduction of the standards ISM Code, working Meetings on organization of legal protection of the lawful rights of the participants of Association, financial and economic problems of work of the shipping companies.

The working contacts to the representatives of competent bodies of Southern basins allowing were established to render influence on the decision of such questions, as regulation of the list both sizes of the departmental taxes and duties on registration of transit cargoes and their examination, reduction of a level of the port taxes and tariffs in ports for ships of all flags, definition of the sizes of payment on reception of the licenses in ports for agency service of ships, equipment of coastal stations for service of ships according to Global Maritime Disaster Signal System, creation of an effective system of search and rescue on the Black Sea pool and liquidation of floods of petroleum, clearing of ships belonging to the BINSAs Members at unreasonable delays in ports of the Black Sea countries.

Consideration of the first claims beginnings the practical work the International Sea and River Arbitration court at BINSAs (Varna, Bulgaria) – non-governmental specialized arbitration institution (Arbitration court), working independently and on the constant basis, created for the first time in world practice of similar associations.

In view of that now in the Black Sea region the International Associations of sphere of the sea industry already operate, such as BRASS and BASPA, expedient its transformation to arbitration body of regional purpose, the guarantor of protection of interests not only the businessmen of all kinds of the property engaged in sea and river business, but also other subjects of enterprise activity from the countries of the Black Sea region is represented.

In sphere of attention of Association constantly there are such important questions of activity of the shipping companies, as the marketing analysis of conditions of compatibility of their interests and segmentation of the market of sea trade in the Black Sea region, formation of variants of organizational development BINSAs and perfection of forms of co-operation new (or purchases second-hand ships with use of credit opportunities of the international financial organizations, development of the mechanism of interest of fastening to national carriers of cargoes of foreign trade of the countries of the Black Sea region among themselves and with the third countries, economic aspects of participation of Members of Association in formation of transport corridors, preparation of offers on creation by legislative way of conditions for support and development of the shipping companies, ports, ship-building and ship-repairing enterprises focused on the state support of the sea industry in view of prospects of development of integration processes in the Black Sea region.

BINSAs Participants repeatedly acted with the initiative of development by the countries of the Black Sea region of the Universal International convention on the Black and Azov seas, creating a legal field for the decision of the political, economic, legal and other problems in the Black Sea basin.

Among Founders and Participants of Association, basically, the large shipping companies of the various patterns of ownership, representing countries – participants BSEC. The aspiration and desire of these companies to be united in the international regional association was caused, first of all, by desire to keep existing cooperation and interaction in complex conditions of modern processes in the countries of the Black Sea basin to promote harmonization of joint trade between the countries of region with use of experience and technical opportunities of the national enterprises of sphere of the sea industry, and also to promote them to remain active participants of processes of a safety of navigation and prevention of environmental contamination, everywhere introduced requirements of the international conventions of the United Nations and IMO agree.

Interaction of Association with the basic and subsidiary organs BSEC, participation in work of the representative forums spent under aegis of this authoritative international organization, to the full reflect one of the basic directions of activity BINSА - initiation of the decision of a problem of the state support of development of the sea industry by priority branch of economy on which activity stabilization of economy and safety of ecology in the Black Sea region essentially depend.

The offers of Association developed together with other international non governmental organizations of sphere of the sea industry were considered at a meeting of the Working group on transport BSEC (Istanbul, 11-12.12.2000 and 26-27.02.2001), have received a high estimation during consideration by Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization of BSEC (PABSEC) on affairs of economy, commerce, technology and preservation of the environment (Moscow, 16.03.2001), are recommended Meeting of Ministers of Transport of the countries BSEC (Sochi, 30.03.2001) for the further study in structures BSEC. Thus a number of positions were included in Plan of action BSEC in the field of transport for the five years' period determining the basic directions of activity of BSEC states - members on creation of highly effective regional transport system, called to combine national transport programs with plans for development of the Pan - European transport corridors.

Recognition of authority of Association became also participation of delegations BINSА in work of the Fifth Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States and the First international transport forum (Antalia, 23-27.10.2001), Conferences of Directors of the Danube shipping companies (Kiev, 12.10.2001), the Second Conference of Association of ports of the Black and Azov seas (Ilyichevsk, 12-13.09.2001), Interim Special Meeting of experts on navigation, shipbuilding and shiprepair and Working group on transport BSEC (Istanbul, 6-8.02.2002), in work and preparation of materials of the Second international transport conference of the Black Sea basin (Kiev, 5-6.03.2002).

By the invitation of Permanent International Secretary delegation BINSА has taken part in solemn actions at a level of Chapters of the states and Governments BSEC devoted to a 10-anniversary of this authoritative regional organization.

During the Third Meeting session of Committee of the Black Sea memorandum of mutual understanding (BS MoU) concerning the control of the state of port (Constanta, Romania, 24-26.04.2002) process of reception BINSА of the status of the Observer is initiated. The delegation of Association has taken part in the Fourth Meeting of Committee of the Memorandum (Odessa, 21-23.04.2003) in the form of an open forum with the purpose of discussion of the questions representing mutual interest.



According to definitions and the criteria approved BSEC for International Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's), BINSAs among first four NGO's (including spheres of the sea industry) it is given the status of Sectoral Dialogue Partnership for the period of two years which is renewed on the basis of an estimation of its participation in activity BSEC and approval of Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States has put and is prolonged now (Baku, Azerbaijan, 30.04.2004).

The specified status enables BINSAs to take part with observance of the established procedures in all actions spent under aegis BSEC, directly to address and structurally to cooperate on the questions representing mutual interest, with the basic and subsidiary organs BSEC forming intergovernmental, business, financial and academic platforms of its activity.

#### **7. Recent and planned activities:**

7th extraordinary BINSAs Board Meeting, accepting solution on the relevant questions of activity of Association, including about the consultative status with IMO (September 19 to 22, 2005, Baku);

Participation in organization both realization of the Seventh international exhibition-symposium "TRANS UKRAINE 2005" and conference "Ukrainian transport infrastructure development in the context of integration into EU" (28 to 29.09.2005, Odessa). The report "A Role of BINSAs in development of integration processes in the Black Sea area" of Mr.A.Bashirov - the BINSAs's President, Chief of the Caspian shipping company at the conference;

Participation in the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Trade and Economic development (Istanbul, BSEC Headquarters, 4-5 October 2005). Discussion on the "Memorandum of Recommendations in the Sphere of Development of Shipbuilding, Shiprepairing and Shipping" prepared by BINSAs together with BRASS;

Participation in the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Transport (BSEC Headquarters, Istanbul, 8-9 November 2005);

Participation in the Meeting of the 14th Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States (Chisinau, 28 October 2005), Meeting of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials (Chisinau, 26 – 27 October 2005); and

Participation in the Meeting of Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States (Bucharest, 15 March 2006) and the BSEC Working Group on Transport (Bucharest, 13-14 March 2006).

***Planned:***

Participation in the Meeting of the 15th Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States (Bucharest, April 2006), Meeting of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials (Bucharest, April 2006).

Participation in organization both realization of the 5th International conference “THE BLACK SEA AREA TRANSPORT NETWORK FORMATION. EAST-WEST NETWORK INTEGRATION” (7-8.06.2006,Odessa).

*(Partner: European Union, Delegation of the European Commission to Ukraine under the support of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organisation (BSEC).*

Participation in 24th Meeting of the BRASS members (23-24.05.2006, Varna). Signing of the new agreement on cooperation between BINSAs and BRASS.

Preparation and realization of 10-th next BINSAs Board meeting (June, 2006).

**8. Descriptive statement of the extent to which the purposes of the Organization relate to those of IMO, including in particular what contribution your Organization can make to the technical co-operation programme of IMO**

The BINSAs’s purposes and aims practically completely coincide the purposes and aims by IMO. The capabilities of BINSAs in implementation of these purposes are limited to boundaries of sector consisting from two components: geography (Black Sea area) and status (non-governmental organization). BINSAs is ready and capable to introduce the contribution to the special program of joint actions with IMO in view of these conditions. Besides for us represents doubtless concern to receive access to a wide experience of world-wide organization, that is by IMO, in its activity on harmonization of concerns of the different marine states in separate marine areas, where the concerns of these states are intersected, with the purpose of application of this experience in the Black Sea area.

**9. Structure:**

The supreme managing body of the Association shall be the Board; the executive bodies - the President, Vice-President and the Secretariat; the control body – Auditing Commission and the working bodies – the Permanent Committees. The Board of the Association may set up ad hoc working bodies – commissions or working groups – to resolve specific problems.

A procedure for conducting sessions of the Board shall be established by the Rules of Procedure. The Board of the Association shall be composed of the heads of the shipping member-companies of the Association or their authorized representatives. A representative shall act on the basis of the Statute of the member-company of the Association or of a proxy issued in compliance with the Law of the member-country of the Association.

The Board shall, as a rule, adopt decisions on its sessions. A decision of the Board may be adopted by questioning. The Secretary General (representatives) of the Secretariat, the Chairmen (representatives) of the Permanent Committees, the Chairman (representatives) of the Auditing Commission may take part in the sessions of the Board with a right of a deliberative vote. A member of the Association shall have a right to pass over his authorities regarding participation in the Board's sessions to the other members. A member of the Association shall have a right to replace his representative in the Board after notifying the Secretariat of the Association to this effect.

#### **10. Membership:**

The Participants of the Association shall be the shipping companies that have signed this Constituent Agreement and made admission contributions in compliance with the established procedure.

##### **The participants of Association:**

*Caspian Sea Shipping Company, Azerbaijan*  
*Shipping Company "Navigation Maritime Bulgare" JSC, Bulgaria*  
*SSC "Black Sea Shipping Company", Ukraine*

##### **JSSC "Ukrainian Danube Shipping Company", Ukraine**

*JSSC "Ukrichflot", Ukraine*  
*JSSC "UkrFerry", Ukraine*  
*The Cooperative for motor vehicles, Turkey*  
*SC "Palmali", Turkey*  
*SC "Amelia Denizchilik", Turkey*  
*SC "Kent Shipping and Chartering", Turkey*  
*SOCAR "AZNEFT"PO "CASPIAN SEA OIL FLEET", Azerbaijan*

##### **The observers:**

*Regional Bureau VERITAS for Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Georgia, Armenia, Ukraine*

#### **11. Officers:**

Mr. Aydin Bashirov – BINSAs President, Chief of the Caspian shipping company, Azerbaijanian

Mr. Sergey Melaschenko – Secretary General, Ukrainian

Mr. Alexander Malashenko – Executive director, Russian

Mrs. Nadezhda Rotko – Accountant, Ukrainian

Mrs. Tatyana Merinova – Administrator-secretary, Russian

## **12. Relations with other non-governmental organizations:**

An important role in transport processes belongs to the non-governmental transport organizations of the Black Sea region. Sectoral dialogue partnership (observer) in the BSEC received such transport associations and unions as the Black Sea Region Association of Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (BRASS), Black Sea International Shipowners Association (BINSA), Black and Azov Seas Ports Association (BASPA), Union of Road Transport Associations in the BSEC region (BSEC-URTA). For example, BRASS and BINSA initiated consideration in the BSEC of the problems in shipbuilding, shiprepairing and shipping, BASPA proposed drafting of a multilateral agreement on intermodal transport in the region, BSEC-URTA made proposal to start the BSEC Project on the Visa for Professional Drivers.

BINSA permanently cooperates with non-governmental organizations: BRASS, BASPA and BSEC-URTA.

## **13. Relations with inter-governmental organizations:**

BINSA permanently cooperates with BSEC. Since the birth of the BSEC, as initiative, in 1992 transport cooperation has been identified as a matter of high priority, which could deeply stimulate the economic and commercial links.

We are witnessing all-European effort to create a transport system that will cover the whole area of Europe and to establish firm transports links to Asia. One should recall that the BSEC countries presented joint proposals of the BSEC region to the rest of Europe through the ministerial meetings: Conference of the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC and the CEI Countries (Sofia, 21-22 November 1996), TRACECA-BSEC Transport Conference (Tbilisi, 8—9 April 1997), Conferences of the Ministers of Transport of the Black Sea Region (Kyiv, 16 May 1997) and other relevant international conferences and meetings in the field of transport. On 30 March 2001 in Sochi, the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States adopted the Transport Action Plan for the B3EC for a five-year period, which determines the main directions of the transport cooperation between the BSEC Member States in order to create a highly efficient regional transport system, which combines the national transport programs with the development plans of the Pan-European transport corridors.

Among the important directions of the BSEC is development of the BSEC Transport Ring Corridor, which implies a combination of important arteries of roads, railroads and priority ports of the littoral states of the Black Sea as well as other BSEC Member States located on Pan-European Corridors and the TRACECA Corridor, which principally promote integration, trade and economic development among the BSEC Member States. An important one is an initiative on Creation of Unified System of Voluntary Satellite Monitoring of Ships Sailing in the Black Sea aimed at tracking locations of ships in the sea and provide operative information for maritime rescue coordination centers, relevant state bodies and shipowners on the round-the-clock basis.

The BSEC became a place where the governmental, public and private come together to negotiate on the problems of common interest.

**14. Finance:**

The BINSAs' incomes make contributions of the its participants.

**15. Publications:**

The publications are made in the monthly magazines "Shipping industry" and "Ports of Ukraine", accumulator cells of the documents of international conferences "Intertransport" and other issuings.

**16. Documentation:**

The documentation: the Minutes of BINSAs Board meetings, documents designed together with other non-governmental organizations (for example the **DRAFT MEMORANDUM** of the recommendations in the sphere of development of shipbuilding, shipping and shiprepairing, and others).

**17. Other remarks which the Organization wishes to make:**

NO

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**ANNEX 2**  
**INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION**  
**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**1. Name of the Organization:**

**EUROPEAN MARINE EQUIPMENT COUNCIL (EMEC)**

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**3. Addresses of all branches or regional headquarters:**

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**Austrian Marine Equipment Manufacturers (AMEM)**

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Austria

**CROATIA (Associated Member)**

**Association of Croatian Marine Equipment Manufacturers**

Croatian Chamber of Economy

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CROATIA

**FINLAND**

**Association of Finnish Marine Industries (AFMI)**

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FINLAND

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GERMANY

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Poland

**THE NETHERLANDS**

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THE NETHERLANDS

**NORWAY (Associated Member)**

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**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Society of Maritime Industries**  
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UNITED KINGDOM



#### **4. Names and Addresses of representatives in the United Kingdom:**

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Society of Maritime Industries (SMI)  
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United Kingdom

#### **5. Aims and purposes of the Organisation (as set forth in its constitution):**

##### **A. General.**

- a. To take care of the mutual interests of the member associations and organizations.
- b. To deliberate with the organizations of marine equipment suppliers, co-ordinate the contacts and to organise regular meetings for them.
- c. To inform the members about international developments in the marine industry and to develop arrangements for the exchange of market information at EMEC level as required by the members.
- d. To promote research and development programmes involving marine equipment and to participate in EC programme.

##### **B. Particular Objectives.**

- a. To represent the interests of its members, in particular the member's point of view on European issues in the Maritime industry field, i.e., technical safety, environmental problems, quality requirements, standardization etc.
- b. To secure the effective support for the promotion of fair competition in all potential markets within and outside the European Union.
- c. To seek the provision of efficient financial support programmes for export promotion at EU level (e.g., participation in overseas exhibitions and trade missions) where appropriate and/or where, sought and supported by members.
- d. To encourage and bring about the participation of the members in R&D – and support programme of the European Commission.
- e. To support benchmarking activities of the European Commission with regard to the marine equipment industry.
- f. To develop relationship with other maritime organizations and associations in the maritime field.

## **6. History:**

On 1st October 1991 the European marine Equipment Council (EMEC) was established in Brussels. Eleven European (national) organizations of marine equipment suppliers decided to go ahead and launch EMEC.

Next to the need from the side of the industry to unite on a European level, the necessity for a European platform was expressed continuously by the European Commission.

To increase its efficiency and be closer to the EU decision-makers, the EMEC Board decided to move to Brussels during the summer 2000. The new office collocates EMEC with CESA, the European Shipbuilders Association.

The same year we saw also the drafting of formal “Articles of Association” giving EMEC a legal statute and making participation in EU programme and resulting funding possible. From then EMEC took active part in the various Framework Programme in the R&D field.

At this time EMEC has dedicated working groups on R&D (EMECRID), Classification Societies, IPR, Rules & Regulations and coordination of International Exhibitions. The working groups are involving not only the members associations but also equipment companies which actively support these activities.

In this prospect a network of leading companies has been created in order to maintain a social network of industry leaders, facilitate new initiatives to strengthen the marine equipment sector, radically increase the EMEC’s influence, boosting the R&D activities and challenge the SME’s to join European projects.

## **7. Recent and planned activities:**

See attached EMEC R&D Policy

## **8. Descriptive statement of the extent to which the purposes of the Organization relate to those of IMO, including in particular what contribution your Organization can make to the technical co-operation programme of IMO:**

The equipment manufacturing industry must be an active participant in the whole life-cycle of a ship – from the initial design phase through to final scrapping/recycling. This involvement should be underpinned by a strong partnership culture across all the stakeholders of the maritime sector.

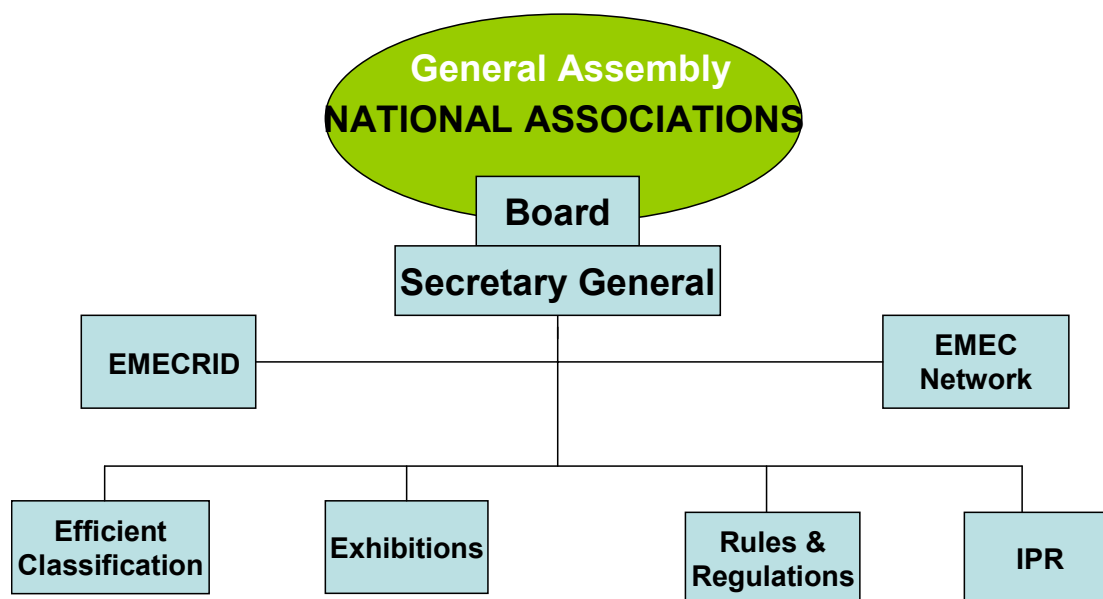
In the marine equipment industry, safety and reliability are closely linked with innovation and environmental requirements. Often it is safety and reliability requirements that drive innovation. Research aimed at “zero tolerance” as far as safety is concerned may well contribute more to the added value of products. A “no-failures” solution drives down running costs through lower level of corrective maintenance and at the same time may meet environmental and societal requirements.

The share of maritime equipment being between 70 to 80% in value for the “high-tec” segment of the shipbuilding (Cruise vessels, Ro-Ro, RoPax, Gas carriers and Container

vessels) it is obvious that the maritime equipment manufacturers are playing a vital role in the global safety at sea aimed by the IMO.

For example, the equipment manufacturers may be consulted for issues dealt with by the Marine Environment Protection Committee, e.g., Investigating biofouling risks management options on commercial vessels; Harmonized implementation of the revised guidelines and specifications for Pollution Prevention Equipment for Machinery Space Bilges of Ships (MEPC.107(49)) and Interpretation and amendments of MARPOL 73/78 and related instruments.

## 9. Structure:



## 10. Membership:

- a. Membership of EMEC is open to national organisations of marine equipment suppliers in European Union countries, which are accepted by the industry in their country as its representative.
- b. National associations of marine equipment suppliers from European countries not members of the European Union may apply to become associate members.
- c. The General Assembly decides on the admission to EMEC of a new candidate as a full member or associate member according to the procedure in Article 5.
- d. All members will declare their agreement with the objectives and structure of the Council by signing a copy of these Articles of Association.

## 11. Officers:

The EMEC Board comprises four administrators as follows:

- The President and two Vice-Presidents elected for three years by the General Assembly and coming from the marine equipment industry.
- One Secretary General appointed by the General Assembly.

The Board is entitled to take decisions on financial matters and on participation of EMEC in some activities and projects within the approved policy and budget of EMEC's General Assembly.

The Secretary General is dealing with the daily affairs of EMEC and acting on behalf of, and as instructed by the President in accordance with the agreed policy of EMEC.

The Secretary General is administrating EMEC's budget and its accounts. He is responsible to keep the expenditures within the agreed budget. On financial matters the Secretary General is reporting to the General Assembly.

The actual EMEC Board is composed as follows:

**President:** Mr. Govert Hamers, CEO of IMTECH Marine & Offshore  
**Vice-Presidents:** Mr. Kelvyn Derrick, CEO of HAMWORTHY PLC  
Mr. Michel Charles, Managing Director of HMS France  
**Secretary General:** Mrs Paola Lancellotti (MBA)

## 12. Relations with other non-governmental organizations:

Contacts are being developed with Marine Equipment Associations in other countries in Asia and Australia.

## 13. Relations with inter-governmental organizations:

- European Commission  
DG Enterprise  
DG Research  
DG Transport  
DG Energy  
DG Environment  
DG Fishery & Maritime Affairs
- EMSA (European Maritime Safety Agency)
- European Parliament (InterGroup on Maritime Transport)
- Relations with EU National Governments through the Member Associations

**14. Finances:**

EMEC is financed by annual fees paid by the members' associations, Industry's contributions and EU funds.

**15. Publications:**

See attached EMEC Strategy Paper

**16. Documentation:**

Please see n° 3

**17. Other remarks which the organization wishes to make:**

Please see n° 5. Furthermore, EMEC is the association of marine equipment manufacturers in Europe. Its members are global players and world leaders in propulsion, cargo handling, communication, automation and environmental systems. Because of the marine equipment market's vocation to be International, EMEC have been developing relations with Marine Equipment Associations in countries outside Europe in order to establish an International Group. EMEC, through this application to IMO, is striving to bring the Regional Associations in the sector together and be able to contribute to the work of IMO

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## ANNEX 3

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION (IMO)  
QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Name of the Organization: Association of Diving Contractors International

2. Address of Headquarters: 5206 FM 1960 West, Ste. 202  
Houston, TX 77069  
USA

3. Addresses of all branches or regional headquarters: None other than above

4. Names of addresses of representatives in the United Kingdom: None

5. Aims and purposes of the Organization (as set forth in its constitution):

To promote and foster Safety throughout the Commercial Diving and Underwater Industry through Communications and Education.

6. History:

This Association was originally formed in 1968 and formally incorporated in the State of Louisiana as the Association of Diving Contractors. In 1992 the Association headquarters was relocated to the State of Texas. In 1999 the name of the association was officially and legally changed to the Association of Diving Contractors International.

7. Recent and planned activities:

ADCI continues to promote and foster Safety throughout many nations of the world through its' extensive membership company component. The ADCI Consensus Standards for Commercial Diving and Underwater Operations (5<sup>th</sup> Edition) is extensively used by the governments of many nations as the "guide" to the performance of safe commercial diving and underwater operations. In 2005 the Association magazine *Underwater* was changed from a four issue per annum to a six issue per annum schedule. ADCI General members are all required to complete a self-audit to verify their compliance with the ADCI Consensus Standards and the ADCI Commercial Diver and ROV/Pilot Technician Certification Card program is used extensively throughout industry to verify the training, experience, and competency of personnel engaged in the industry. The United States Coast Guard is a Supporting Member of the Association as is the Colombian Navy, Prefectura Naval Argentina, and others.

8. The activities of ADCI are complimentary to those of IMO in that ADCI strives to define (through Industry Consensus) the Best Industry Practices necessary to the assurance that commercial diving and underwater operations are conducted in the safest manner possible.

ADCI represents the bulk of the global commercial diving community with more than 300 General Members [those who furnish commercial diving and underwater services]. As such, ADCI is the largest organization of its' kind in the world – a direct representative of member companies all engaged in a common goal – the pursuit of Safety!

ADCI believes that its' application for recognition as a Non-Governmental Organization will be of mutual benefit to both organizations and will serve to provide to IMO the technical input necessary when considering issues associated with commercial diving and underwater activity on a global scale.

9. Structure: ADCI is governed by a Board of Directors elected by the membership. Members serve a three-year term with approximately 30% of the members being elected each year as prior members terms of office expire. The ADCI Regional Chapter (Asia-Pacific, Latin American & Caribbean, and International] are each represented on the Board of Directors as are the four Regional Chapters of the United States. In addition, Flag State Chapters (currently Chile, Malayasia, Singapore, and under formation – Colombia) are each represented on the Board of Directors. The business activities of the Association are conducted by a permanent Staff headed by the ADCI Executive Director who also serves as the Chief Executive Officer.
10. Membership: please see membership directory furnished on 7<sup>th</sup> March and also, attached hereto as a scanned document.
11. Officers: please refer to the listing furnished at [www.adc-int.org](http://www.adc-int.org) under the heading "About ADCI" – "Board of Directors"
12. Relations with other non-governmental organizations: None
13. Relations with inter-governmental organizations:

United States Coast Guard  
United States Dept. of Labor [Occupational Safety & Health Administration]  
Unites States Corps of Engineers  
Armada de Colombia – Diving and Salvage Command  
Royal Malaysian Navy – KD Duyong [Diving Command]  
Prefectura Naval Argentina  
Armada de Chile – Diving Inspectorate



Various others not members but with whom ADCI coordinates and communicates on Safety issues.

14. Finance: ADCI derives revenues from membership dues, publications, and Safety materials made available to members and to the general public. No government funds nor grant funds are available nor sought.
15. Publications: *Underwater* magazine [furnished under separate cover to the Honorable Secretary-General on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2006]  
ADCI Consensus Standards for Commercial Diving and Underwater Operations [5<sup>th</sup> Edition]  
Videos: The Hazards of Differential Pressure  
The Hazards of Underwater Burning  
Why a Three-Man Crew
16. Documents: Furnished as noted above on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2006 to the Honorable Secretary-General.
17. Other remarks: ADCI originally made application for Non-Governmental Organization recognition several years ago but was rejected as one member company was located in Taiwan. That member company has now withdrawn and such a condition no longer exists.

As stated on our application of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2006 addressed to the Honorable Secretary-General ADCI believes it to be fully qualified for the desired recognition and that a relationship will be beneficial both to IMO and to ADCI.

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## ANNEX 4

### IMO Questionnaire

**1. Name of the Organisation:**

International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU)

**2. Address of Headquarters:**

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Minato-ku, 105-0001  
Tokyo, Japan

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(E-Mail) [iamusec@attglobal.net](mailto:iamusec@attglobal.net)

home page: <http://www.iamu-edu.org/>

**Secretary:** Dr. Hisashi Yamamoto

**Coordinator:** Ms. Shoko Yoshihara

**3. Address of all branches or regional headquarters:**

Istanbul Technical University, Maritime Faculty (ITUMF)  
Prof. Dr. Aydin Salci, Dean  
Istanbul Technical University,  
Maritime Faculty,  
Tuzla,  
Istanbul, 34940  
Turkey  
Tel: +90-216-395-1064  
Fax: +90-216-395-4500  
URL: <http://www.tdf.itu.edu.tr/english/itumf.htm>

Kobe University, Faculty of Maritime Sciences (KU-FMS)  
Prof. Dr. Masayoshi Kubo  
5-1-1, Fukae-minami-Machi,  
Higashinada-ku,  
Kobe 658-0022  
Japan  
Tel: +81-78-431-6200 Fax: +81-78-431-6355  
<http://www.maritime.kobe-u.ac.jp/english/>

**4. Names and addresses of representative in the United Kingdom:**

N/A

**5. Aims and purposes of the Organisation (as set forth in its constitution):**

**Article II – Objectives**

**The Vision of IAMU is to use the network of member universities/faculties to work collaboratively to achieve the following Objectives:**

- A) To provide opportunities for critical issues and developments in Maritime Education and Training to be discussed and resolved in academic and practical ways;
- B) To contribute to the development of effective management systems to ensure safe operations in all sectors of the maritime industry; and
- C) To develop an appropriate and recognized system for passing on maritime skills and knowledge to the following generations on a global basis.

**Article III – The Goals**

**The goals of IAMU are to use a scientific and practical approach to:**

- A) Develop a comprehensive Maritime Education System for following generations;
- B) Establish an effective Maritime Safety Management System for the international maritime community; and
- C) Prepare develop standardized Undergraduate Curricula and an International Certification System for Competency.

**6. History:**

IAMU was founded by seven universities representing the five continents of the world (Representative Universities) in November, 1999, with a shared recognition of significance of maritime education and training in the rapid globalization of the international shipping arena. Since then, IAMU has significantly expanded its membership, and now boasts 45 institutions of the world's maritime education and training universities/faculties, and The Nippon Foundation as its special member, totalling 46 altogether.

**Representative Universities at the time of foundation in 1999:**

- A. Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport, Egypt (Representing Africa)
- B. Australian Maritime College, Australia (Oceania)
- C. Cardiff University, UK (Western Europe)

- D. Istanbul Technical University, Maritime Faculty, Turkey (Mediterranean, Black Sea, ex Central and Eastern Europe)
- E. Kobe University of Mercantile Marine, Japan (Asia) [now transformed to Kobe University, Faculty of Maritime Sciences]
- F. Maine Maritime Academy, USA. (Americas including the Caribbean's)
- G. World Maritime University, Sweden (UN and Global representation)

## **7. Recent and Planned Activities:**

### **International Seminar on Maritime Security and MET**

Some 110 participants representing the industry, administration, and education and training providers participated in the Japan's very 1st International Seminar on Maritime Security and MET held in Toyo on 2 March 2006. Dr. Karl Laubstein, Chair of IAMU and President of World Maritime University, and Mr. Masahiro Akiyama, Chairman of Ocean Policy Research Foundation, co-host of the Seminar invited such distinguished guests as Mr. Frank Wall, IMO Security Consultant, Previously Chairman of the Security Working Group of IMO, Capt. Michael Blair, Commander, United States Coast Guard Activities Far East, Dr. William Eisenhardt, President of California Maritime Universities, Assoc. Prof. Donna Nincic, and Capt. Bruce Clarke also of California Maritime Academy, Capt. Susumu Nakamura, International Law Office, Staff College Research Department, Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force. The seminar was concluded by a very active exchange of question and answers. The seminar was reported by a number of journals with extremely favourable statements to have contributed to enhancement of the awareness of maritime security in Japan.

### **IAMU LNG Roundtable**

100 delegates representing industry, maritime administrations and education providers came together on 28 February and 1 March in Busan, Korea to discuss challenges in the area of human resource capacity facing the Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) shipping sector. Organized by IAMU in conjunction with the Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators (SIGTTO), the Round Table focused on the competency standards and associated education and training needs to maintain and enhance the impressive safety record of LNG transport. (March 2005) A Joint Statement was signed by IAMU and SIGTTO, which was subsequently endorsed by various administrations and participants from various quarters of the LNG supply chain.

Annual General Assembly 2006 – Dalian Maritime University IAMU holds an Annual General Assembly (AGA) once a year to discuss IAMU management and activities, and to present outcomes of various research activities by member institutions including international research collaboration. Previous AGA's were held:

AGA1	Istanbul, Turkey	2000
AGA2	Kobe, Japan,	2001
AGA3	Maine, USA	2002
AGA4	Alexandria, Egypt	2003
AGA5	Launceston, Australia	2004
AGA6	Malmö, Sweden	2005

The 6th Annual General Assembly (AGA6) was held on 24-26 October, 2005 at World Maritime University, Malmö, Sweden. Some 110 delegates including around 20 students from 15 member institutions attended the conference. 53 presentations were made in sessions as the outcome of 49 research activities during the year.

### **Annual General Assembly 2006**

Dalian Maritime University  
The 7th Annual General Assembly and Conference  
Globalization and MET  
will be held in  
Dalian, China on 16-18, October 2006

**8. Description statement of the extent to which the purposes of the Organisation relate to those of IMO:**

**The ethos of the Association is based on the following shared values:**

- A) That globalization has been progressing rapidly in the international shipping arena;
- B) That Safety and Environmental Protection are critical issues for the maritime sector; and
- C) That passing on maritime skills and knowledge to the following generations needs to be achieved on a global scale.

**All members of IAMU recognize the significance of maritime education and training and note that:**

- A) the shipping industry is a service industry, in which human resources are the critical element;
- B) it is only feasible to secure, and to preserve highly qualified human resources in the maritime industries through effective education and training; and

- C) effective education and training in the maritime sector derives from:
- i. scientific and academic rigor;
  - ii. development of a clear link between practical skills and management techniques; and
  - iii. a focus on quality.

**Based on these shared understandings, it has been mutually agreed:**

- A) That members shall cooperate with each other in a range of scientific and academic studies, developments, and practical applications associated with Maritime Education and Training;
- B) That members shall endeavour to achieve measurable and worthwhile outcomes for Maritime Education and Training through IAMU activities;
- C) That members shall publicize results of their activities as extensively as possible both within and outside IAMU, and shall endeavour to accumulate scientific results for the benefit of the international maritime community; and
- D) That the members shall thereby contribute to the enhancement of Maritime Safety and Environmental Protection.

These shared values and beliefs are in line and agreement with IMO's vision on global human resource development for the maritime sector.

**9. Structure:**

IAMU is to have an Honorary Chairman, a Chair, a Senior Vice Chair and Vice Chairs, an International Executive Committee, Working Groups, a Project System, a Secretariat, an Annual General Assembly, an Editorial Board, a Website Committee, and Honorary Fellow.

**Honorary Chairman:**

The Chairman of The Nippon Foundation shall be the Honorary Chairman of IAMU.

**Chair:**

The Chair shall be appointed by members of the International Executive Committee and ratified by the Annual General Assembly.

**Senior Vice Chair:**

The Senior Vice Chair shall be appointed by members of the International Executive Committee. The Senior Vice Chair shall host the next Annual General Assembly.

**Vice Chairs:**

There will be six (6) Vice Chairs. Vice Chairs shall be appointed by members of the International Executive Committee. The Nippon Foundation is a permanent Vice Chair.

**International Executive Committee:**

The International Executive Committee shall consist of the following members:

- The Representative Universities/Faculties;
- The member universities/faculties nominated by the Representative Universities/Faculties from their Region; and
- Special Members approved by the International Executive Committee.

**10. Membership:**

- A. Maritime Universities/Faculties offering four (4) year undergraduate as well as Postgraduate MSc. and/or PhD courses in the field of Maritime education and training (MET) and maritime Transport are qualified for membership.
- B. The International Executive Committee can admit membership of such maritime related sector (such as Fishery Institutions) Universities/Faculties without Postgraduate courses who can reasonably be judged as academically competent and suitable for IAMU activities in light of this preamble Articles I, II, and III on case-by-case basis.
- C. The special membership. A party who is not a Maritime University/Faculty is qualified for the membership to this organization as per in the preceding items A and B in the clause, and yet whose contribution to this organization has been considered as extremely valuable, may be admitted as a “Special Member”. At the initiation of this association, The Nippon Foundation is hereby recognized as has been extremely valuable to IAMU, hence it is unanimously agreed to be the Special Member of IAMU. The special membership party cannot be the Chair.



**Current membership is as follows (March 2006):**

<b>Regions</b>	1*	2*	3*	4*	5*	6*	7*	8*	Total
<b>No. of Members</b>	1	7	11	13	1	11	1	1	46

\*Note – Regions and Countries (The list of membership is attached)

1. Africa : Egypt
2. Americas: Canada and U.S.A.
3. Asia: China, Japan, Korea, Russia, and Vietnam,
4. Mediterranean, Black Sea, ex Central and Eastern Europe: Bulgaria, Croatia, Iran, Poland, Romania, Russia, Turkey, Ukraine
5. Oceania: Australia
6. Western Europe: France, Germany, Netherlands, Spain, U.K.,
7. UN and Global Representation: Sweden
8. Special member: Japan

**11. Officers:**

**Year 2005 / 2006**

**Honorary Chair**

Mr. Yohei Sasakawa (Chairman of The Nippon Foundation), Japan

**Chair**

Dr. Karl Laubstein, President, World Maritime University (WMU), Sweden

**Senior Vice Chair**

Prof. Dr. Wang Zuwen, President, Dalian Maritime University (DMU), China

**Vice Chairs**

Dr. Gamal El Din Ahmed Mokhtar, President, Arab Academy of Science and Technology and Transport (AAST&MT), Egypt

Prof. Dr. Aydin Salci, Dean, Istanbul Technical University, Maritime Faculty (ITUMF), Turkey

Prof. Dr. Masayoshi Kubo, Dean, Kobe University Faculty of Maritime Sciences (KU-FMS), Japan

R. Adm. Leonard H. Tyler, President, Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), U.S.A.

Prof. Dr. German De Melo, Vice Dean, Polytechnical University of Catalonia, Faculty of Nautical Studies (PUC-FNS), Spain

Mr. Masazumi Nagamitsu, Executive Director, The Nippon Foundation (NF), Japan

### **International Executive Committee**

Dr. Karl Laubstein, WMU, Sweden  
Dr. Gamal El Din Ahmed Mokhtar, AAST&MT, Egypt  
Prof. Dr. Aydin Salci, ITUMF, Turkey  
Prof. Dr. Masayoshi Kubo, KUFMS, Japan  
R. Adm. Leonard H. Tyler, MMA, U.S.A.  
Prof. Dr. German De Melo, PUC-FNS, Spain  
Mr. Masazumi Nagamitsu, NF, Japan  
Prof. Dr. Soon-kap Kim, President, Korea Maritime University, Korea  
Prof. Dr. Ivan I. Kostylev, Admiral Makarov State Maritime Academy, Russia  
Dr. William Eisenhardt, California Maritime Academy, U.S.A.  
Prof. Dr. Zuwen Wang, Dalian Maritime University, China  
Prof. Dr. Jozef Lisowski, Gdynia Maritime University, Poland  
Prof. Dr. Mykhaylo V. Miyusov, Odesa National Maritime Academy, Ukraine  
V. Adm. John Craine, State University of New York Maritime College, U.S.A.  
Prof. Dr. Kohei Ohtsu, Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology,  
Faculty of Marine Technology, Japan

### **Secretary's Office**

Dr. Hisashi Yamamoto, Secretary, Japan  
Ms. Shoko Yoshihara, Coordinator, Japan

## **12. Relations with other non-governmental organizations:**

- A. Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators (SIGTTO):**  
Collaboration on the human capacity building in the LNG supply chain since 2003. The Joint Statement was signed at International LNG Round Table in Busan, Korea in February/March, 2005. Joint work for LNG Model Courses has been made thereafter.
- B. The International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO):**  
Collaborative dialogue has been continued since 2001 on the matter of human elements in the tanker industry.  
IAMU becomes an Associate Member since November, 2005.
- C. International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO):**  
Collaborative dialogue has been continued since 2001.
- D. International Gas Union (IGU):**  
The mutual dialogue was established in 2005, based on the shared recognition of the critical significance of the human resources in the LNG supply chain. IGU has invited IAMU to make presentation at their 23<sup>rd</sup> World Gas Congress to be held on 5-9, June, 2006 at Amsterdam, The Netherlands.  
IGU also invites IAMU to become a member at their LNG Committee at their General Assembly in June, 2006 in Amsterdam.

### **13. Relations with inter-governmental organizations:**

#### **A. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC):**

The Energy Working Group of APEC recognized the critical importance of the human resource element in the international shipping industry, particularly, in the LNG supply chain, clarified by IAMU LNG Initiative. The APEC Energy Working Group officially recommended to the Energy Ministers of APEC Economies on the shortage skilled human resources in LNG sector. The recommendation was adopted unanimously by the Energy Ministers in October, 2005 in Korea.

#### **B. International Energy Agency (IEA):**

Mutual dialogue started in July, 2005. The representatives of IAMU had a meeting with Mr. Claude Mandil, the Executive Director of IEA, and he was briefed on IAMU and its LNG Initiative. He showed his express interests in this matter. The both parties are going to have their first collaborative working meeting in April/May, 2006 to discuss a matter of capacity building in the energy sector.

### **14. Finances:**

#### **A. Basic Policy:**

- a. As a principle, members should make the greatest possible 'in-kind' contribution of resources to IAMU activities.
- b. The main purpose of the financial support by the Special Member is to progress academic studies, development programs and practical activities worthy of IAMU which involve collaboration among the members and enhances exchanges among the members at all levels.

#### **B. Annual Membership Fee:**

Members shall pay an annual membership fee of US\$300. per institution. It as decided at AGA6 to increase to US\$600 per institution from fiscal year 2006.

#### **C. Members' Contributions:**

- a. The International Executive Committee shall invite governments, related organizations and industry to support IAMU activities financially and in other ways.
- b. Individual members are encouraged to seek financial support for IAMU activities through sources in their own regions.
- c. At the time of the Annual General Assembly, members shall pay an appropriate registration fee per delegate as determined by the Local Executive Committee.

**D. Financial and Accounting Officer:**

A senior officer of the Secretariat shall be designated as a financial and accounting officer by the International Executive Committee.

**15. Publications:**

**These include:**

- A. IAMU Journal
- B. IAMU News
- C. Proceedings of AGA presentations
- D. Outcome of research projects which includes web based learning material.

**16. Documentation:**

Documentation submitted in addition to this questionnaire includes:

- i. The list of membership

**17. Other Remarks which the Organization wishes to make:**

IAMU is a unique international organization of maritime educational institutions at higher education level whose membership is not on an individual academician basis, but on an institutional basis. The member institutions are capable in both the areas of (i) MET human capacity building, and (ii) research activities on MET, safety, management, and environmental protection.

IAMU strongly believes that it will be able to contribute to the realization of the goals and objective of IMO.

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